

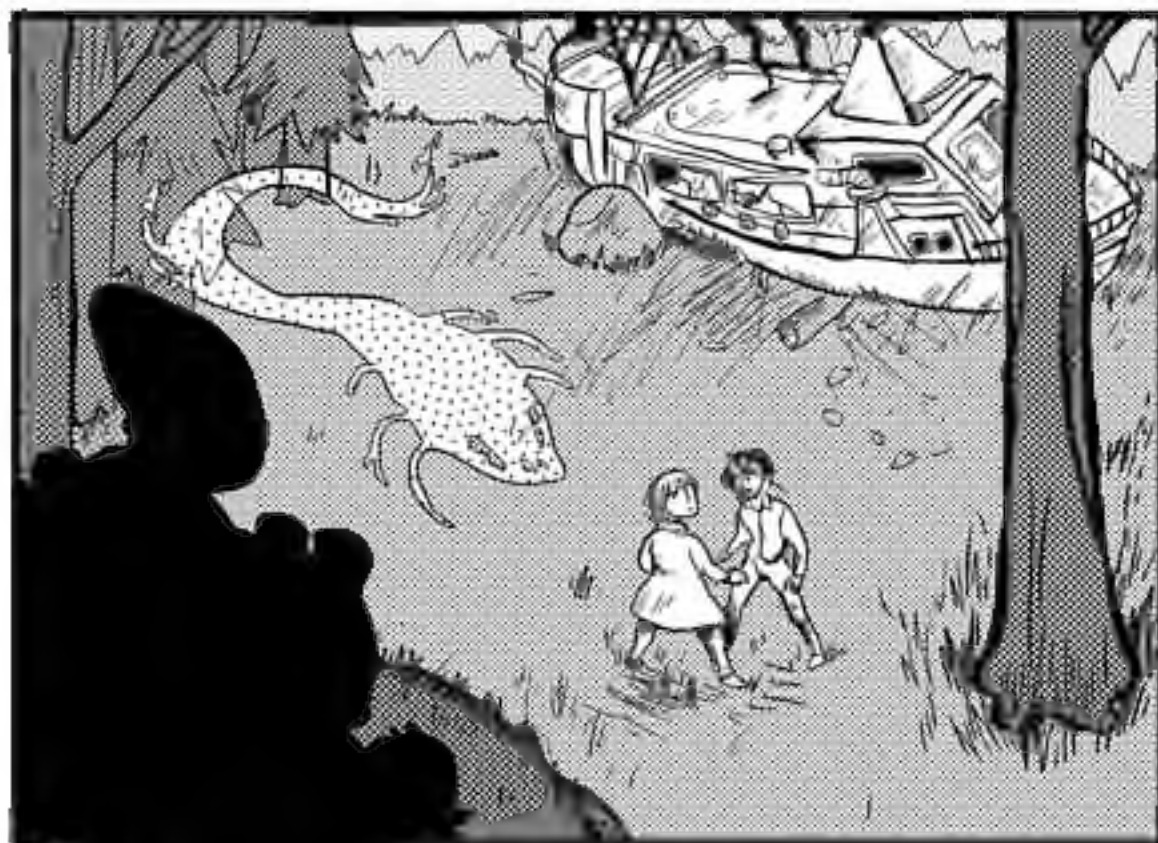
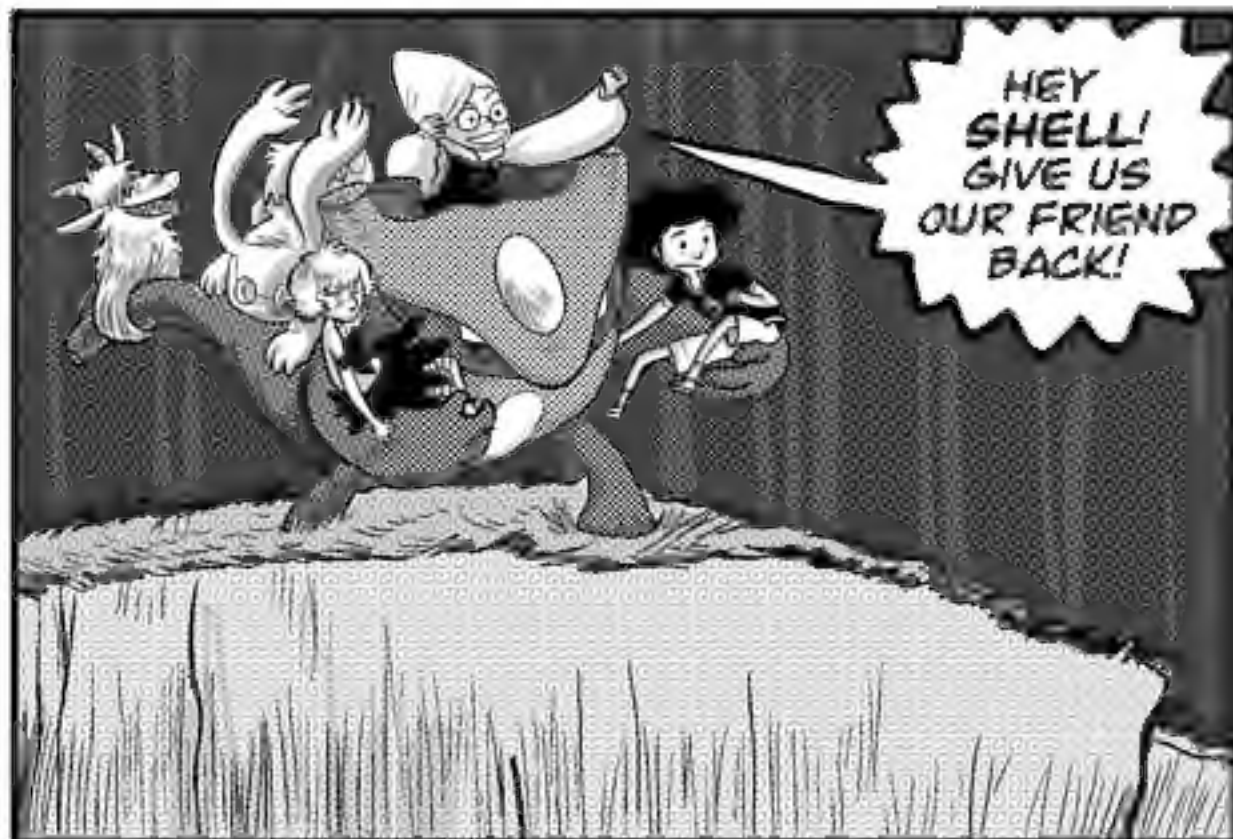
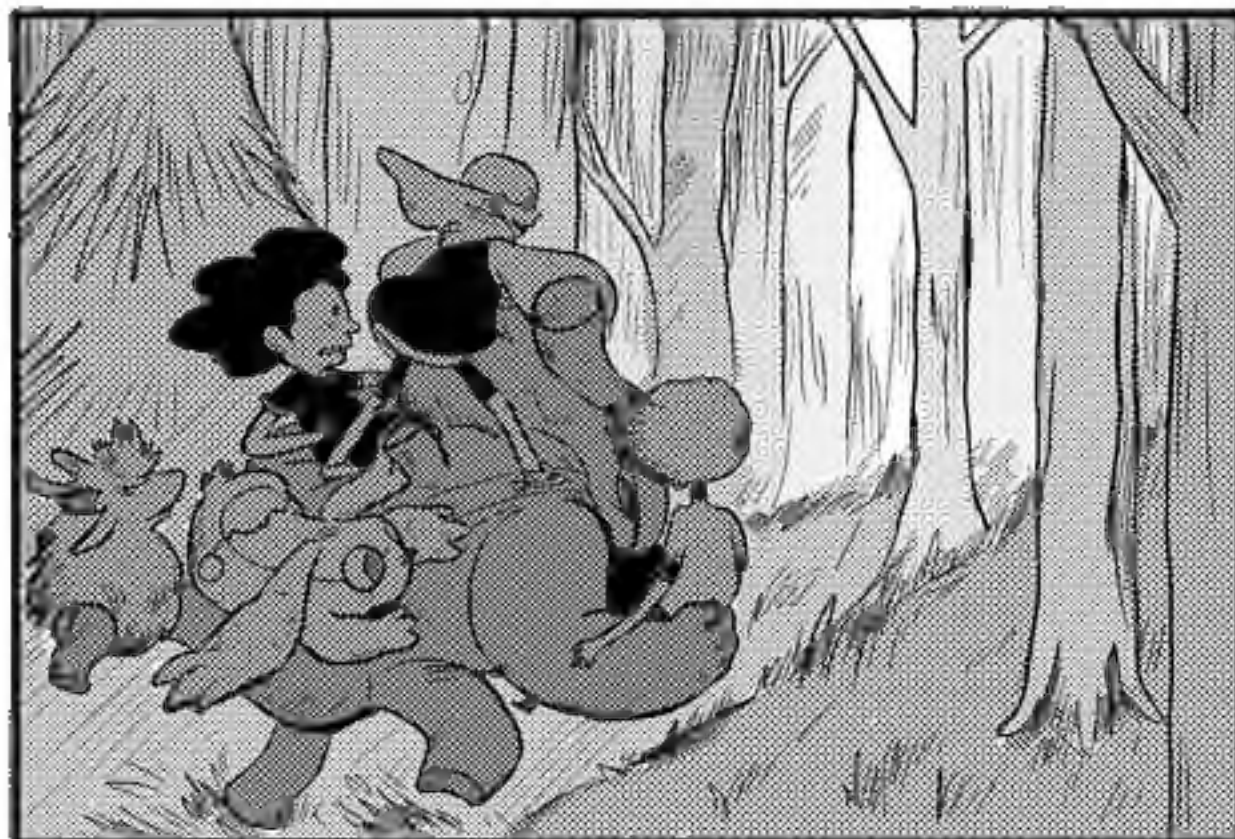


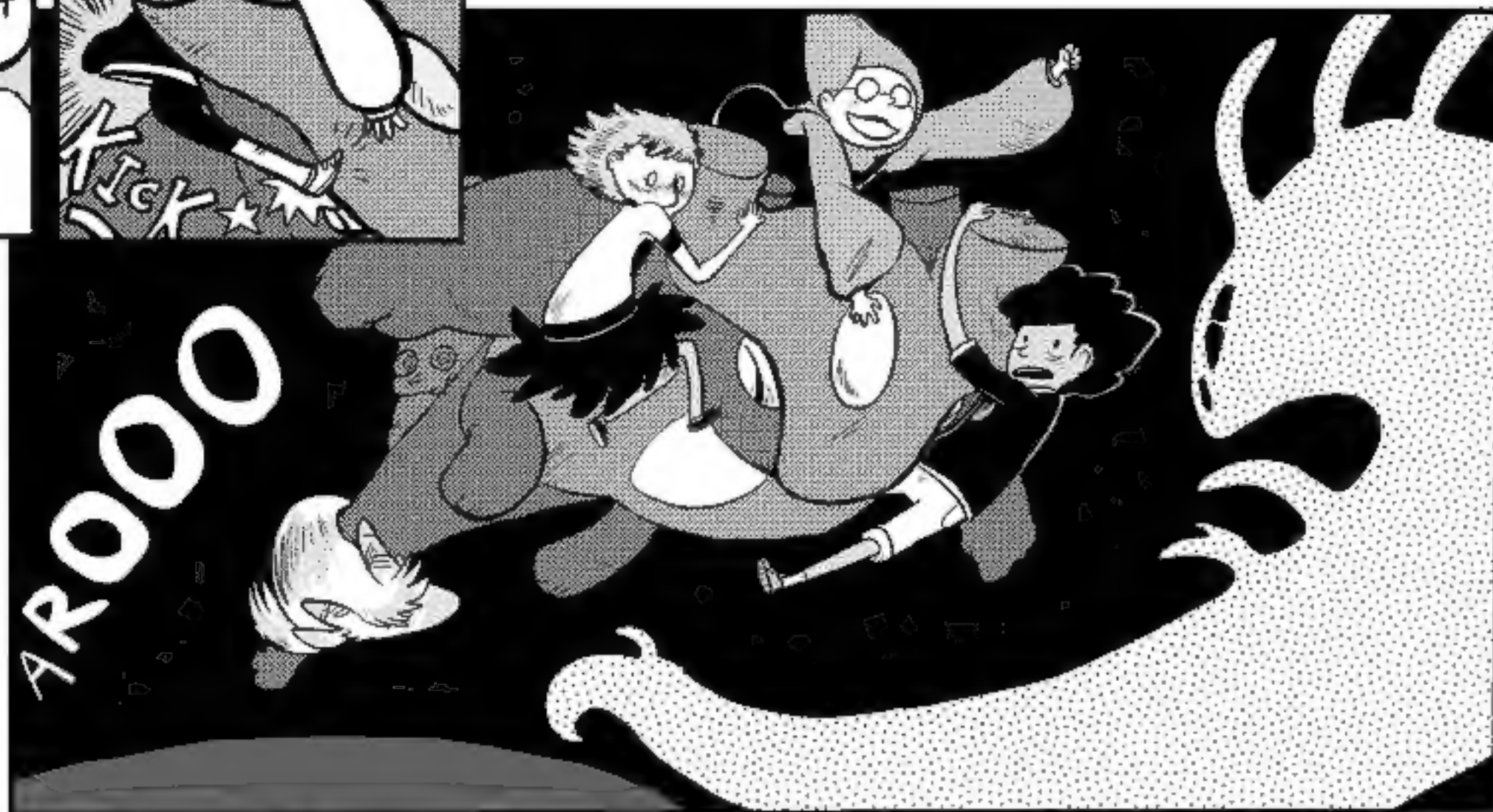
"IN THIS HEAD THE ALL-BAFFLING BRAIN;
IN IT AND BELOW IT, THE MAKINGS OF HEROES.
EXAMINE THESE LIMBS, RED, BLACK OR WHITE-
THEY ARE SO CUNNING IN TENDON AND NERVE;
THEY SHALL BE STRIPT, THAT YOU MAY SEE THEM."

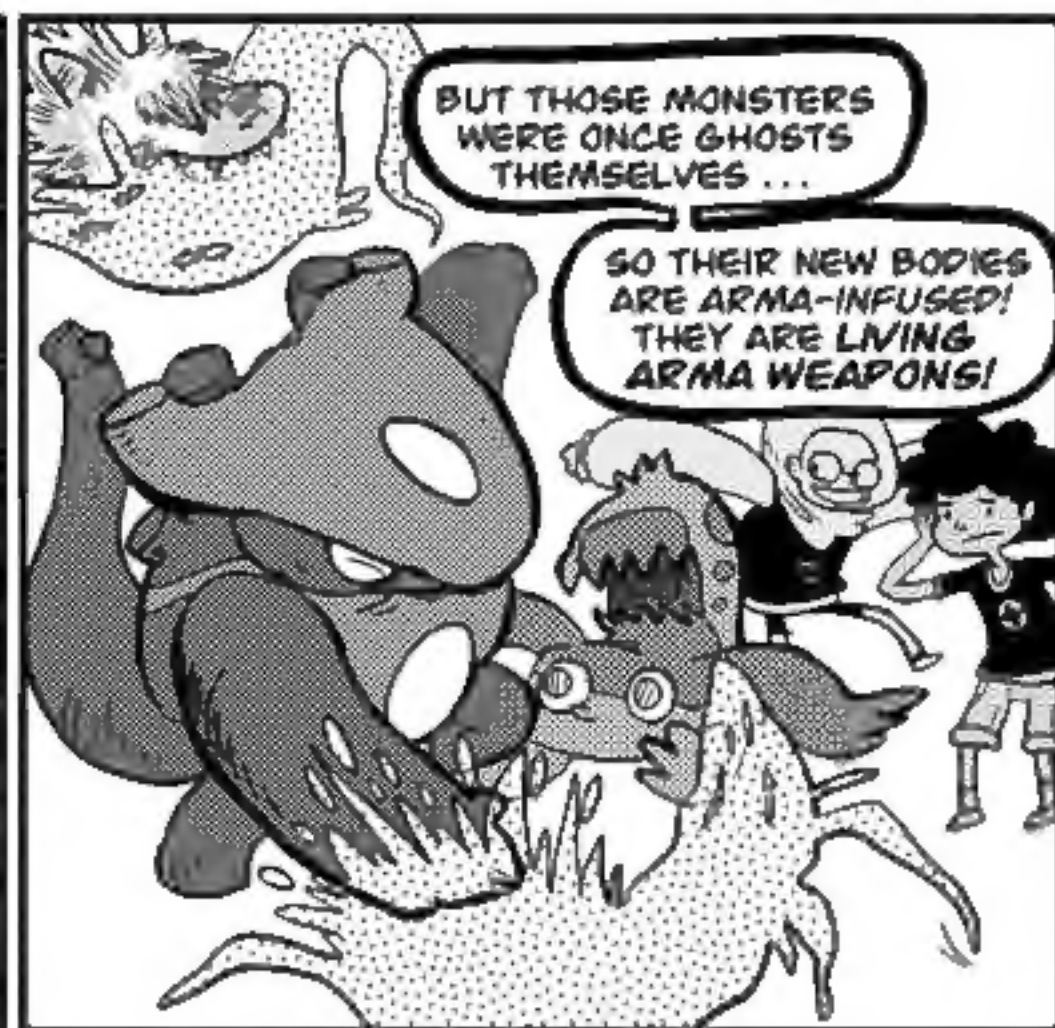
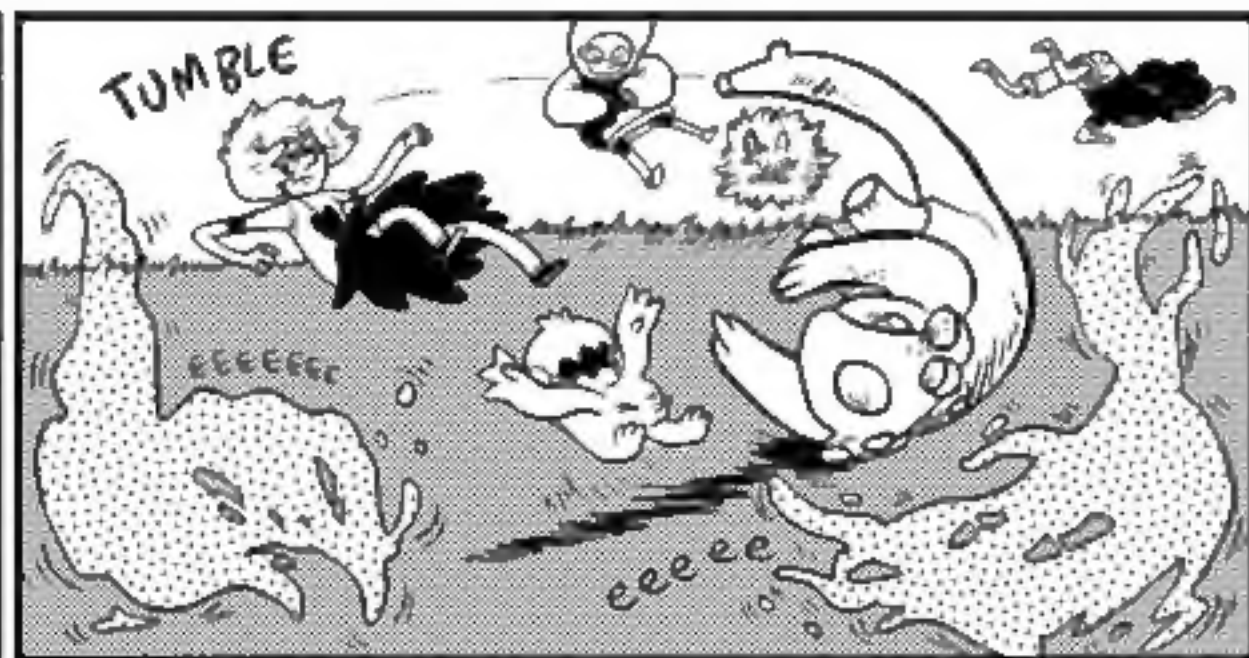
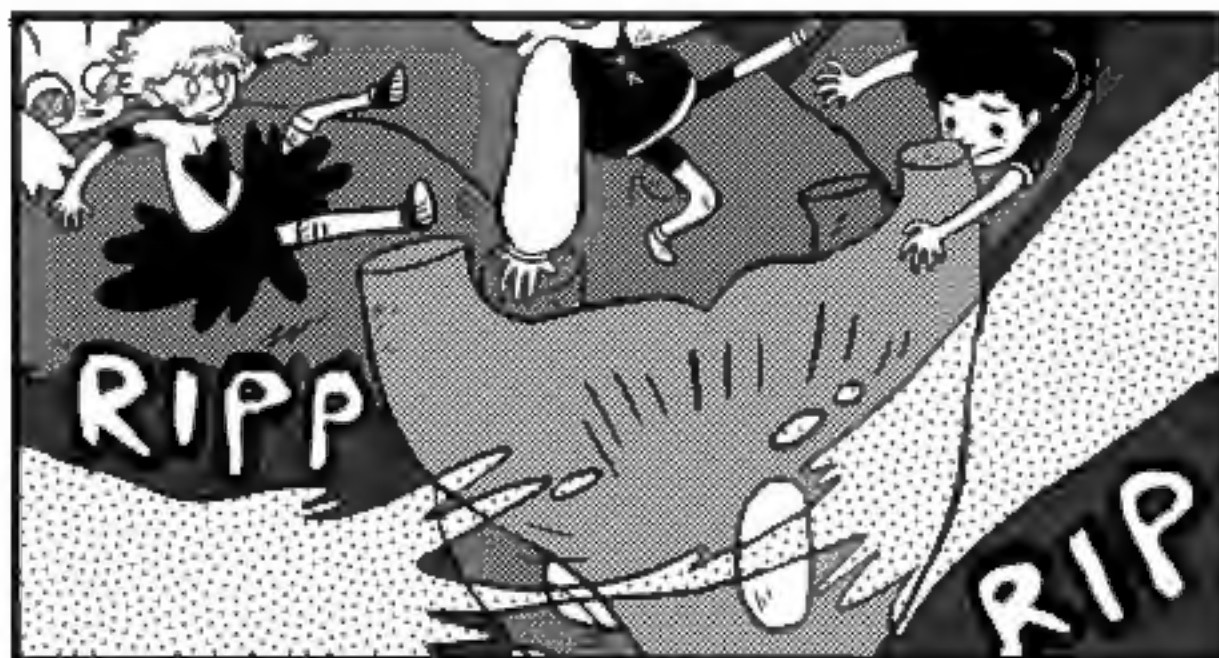
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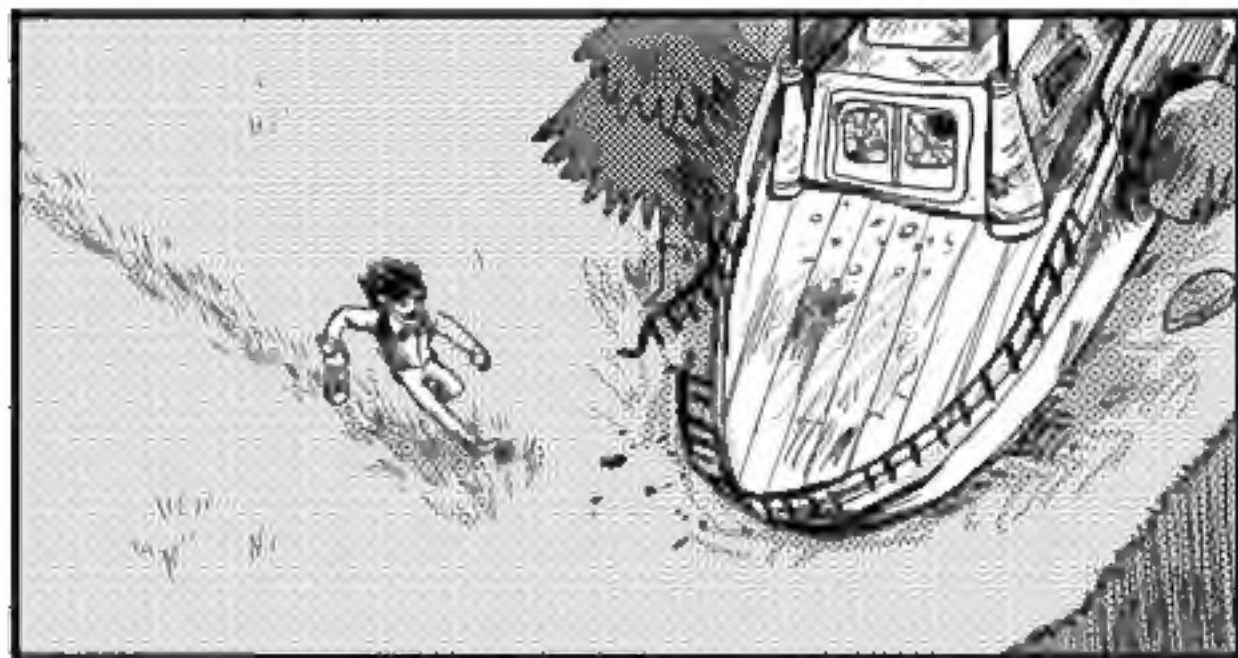
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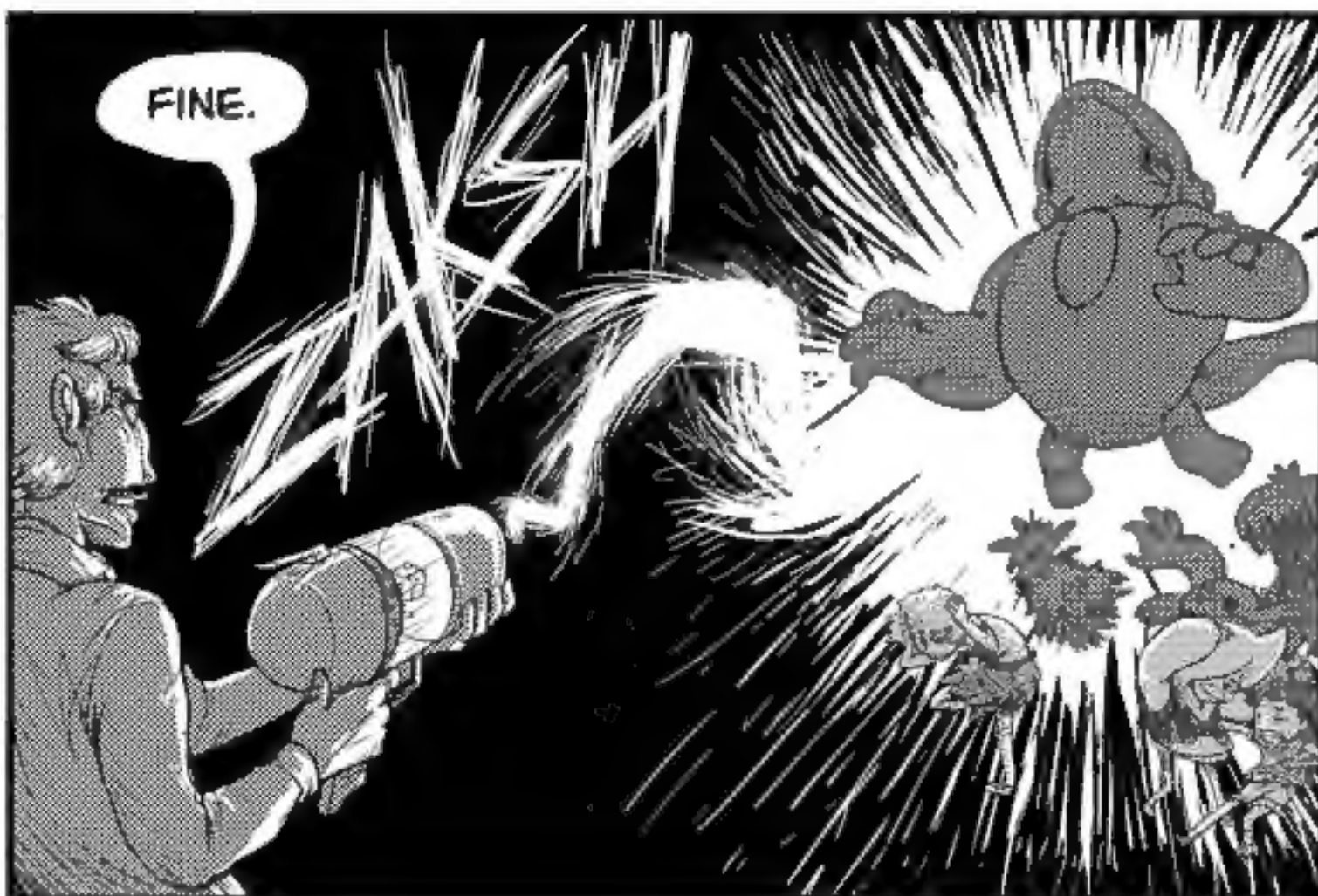


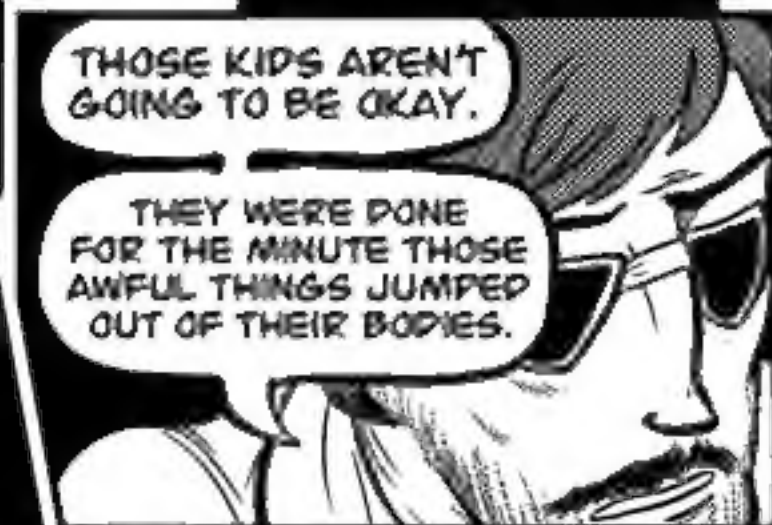
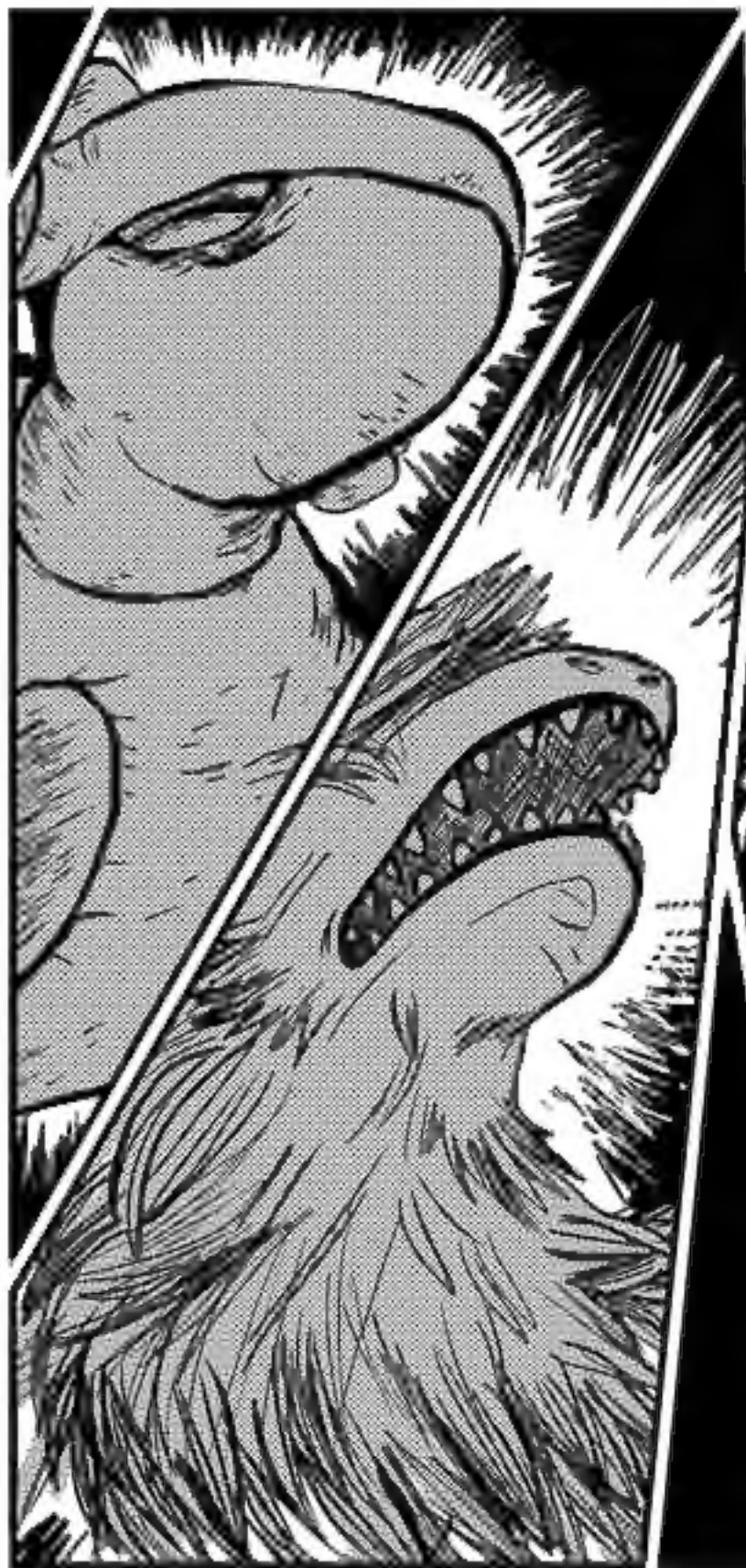


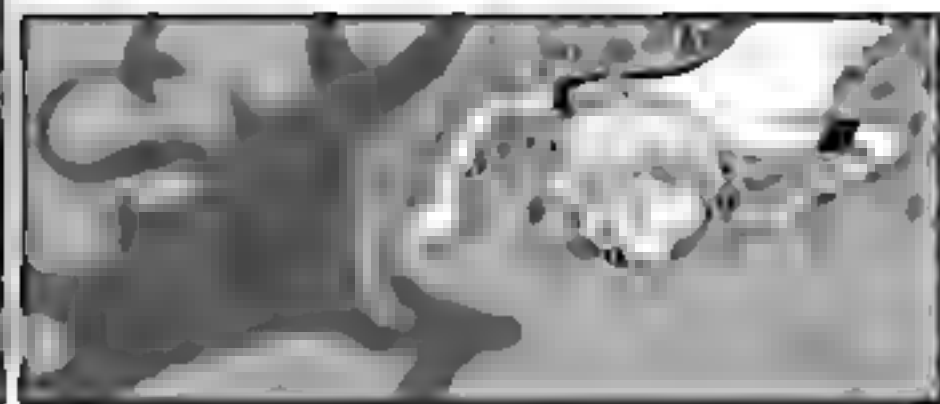
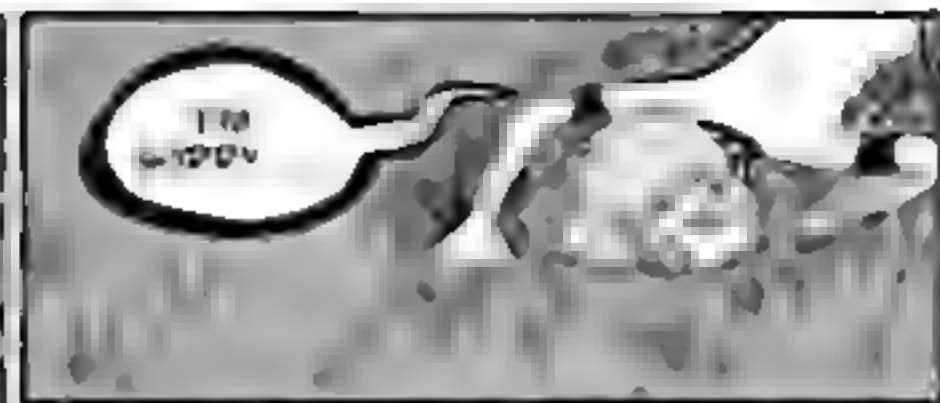
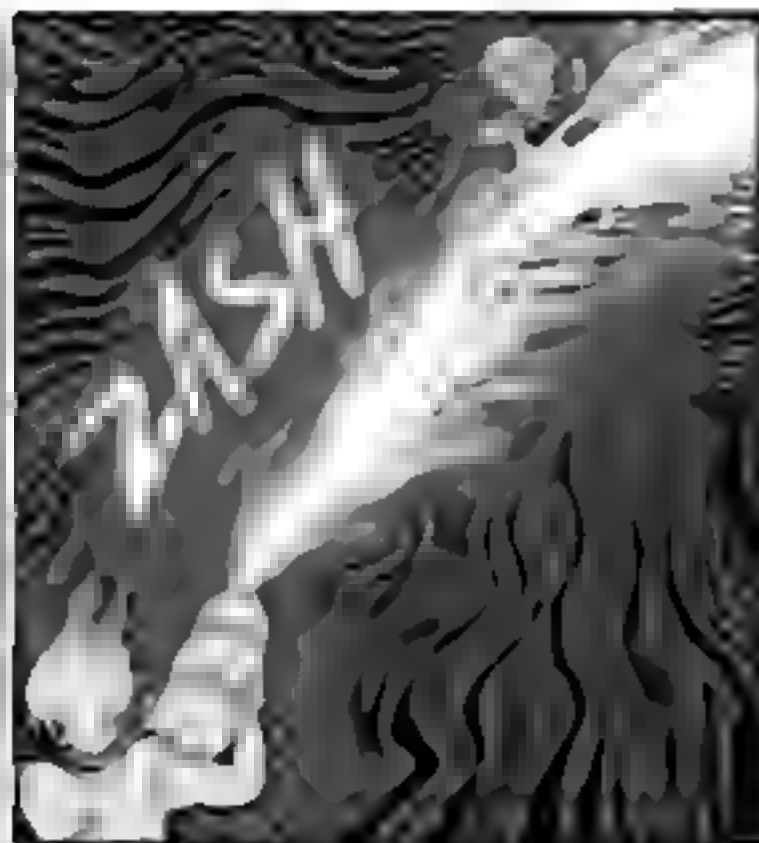








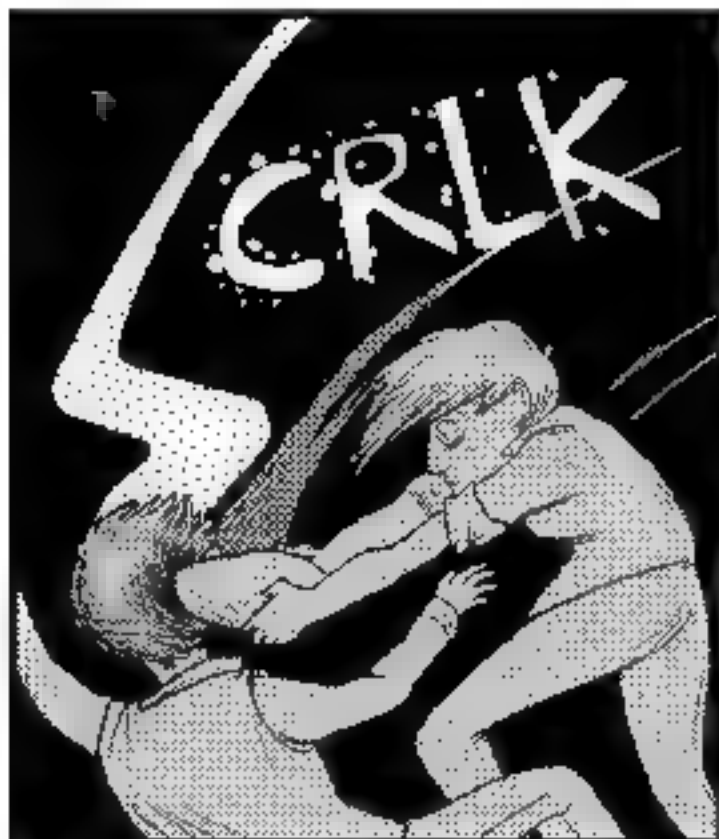


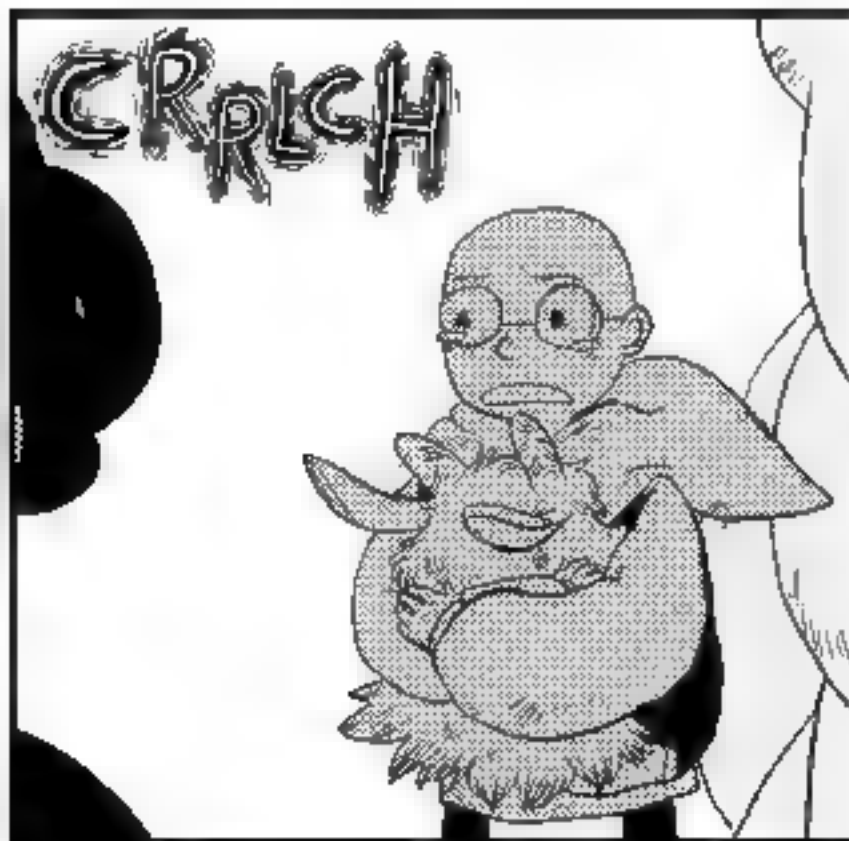


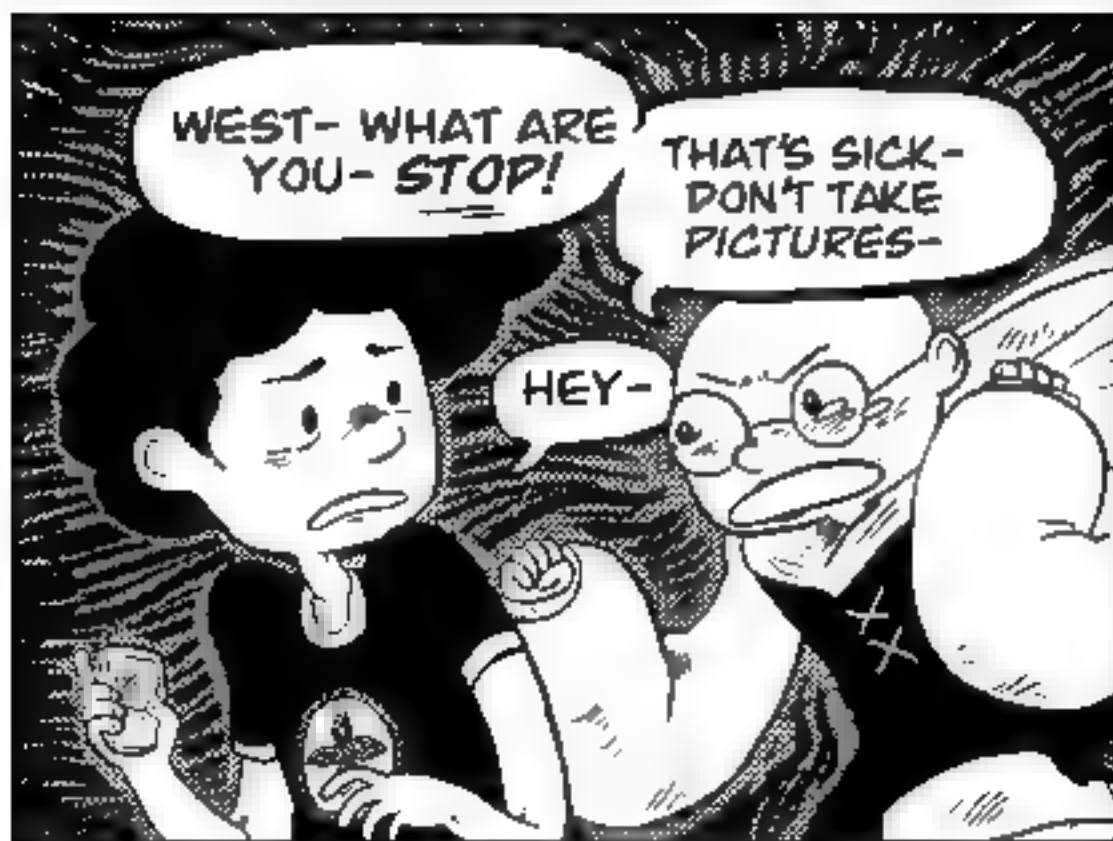


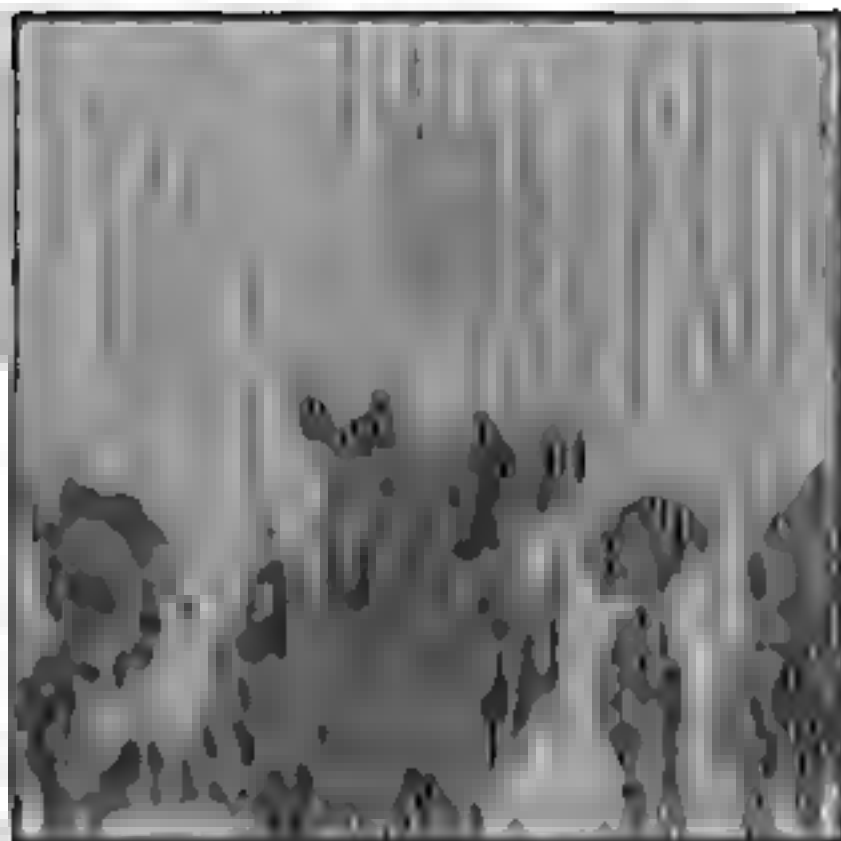
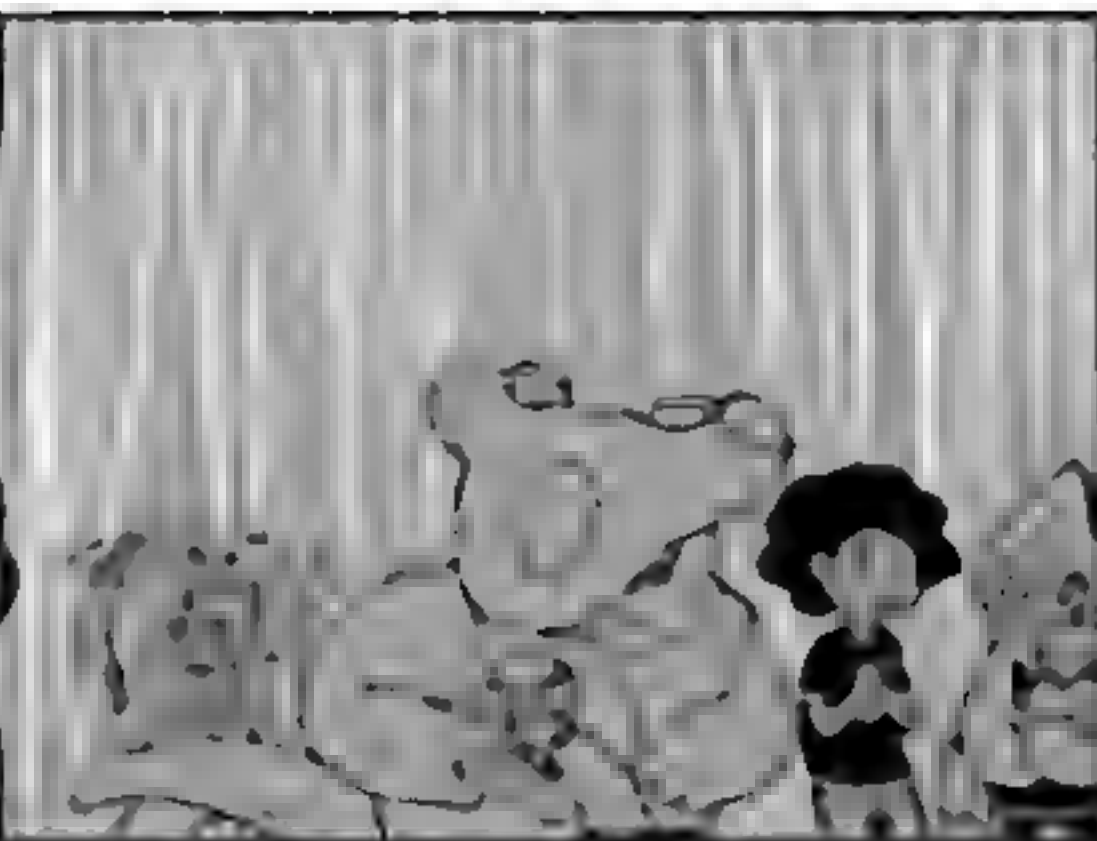


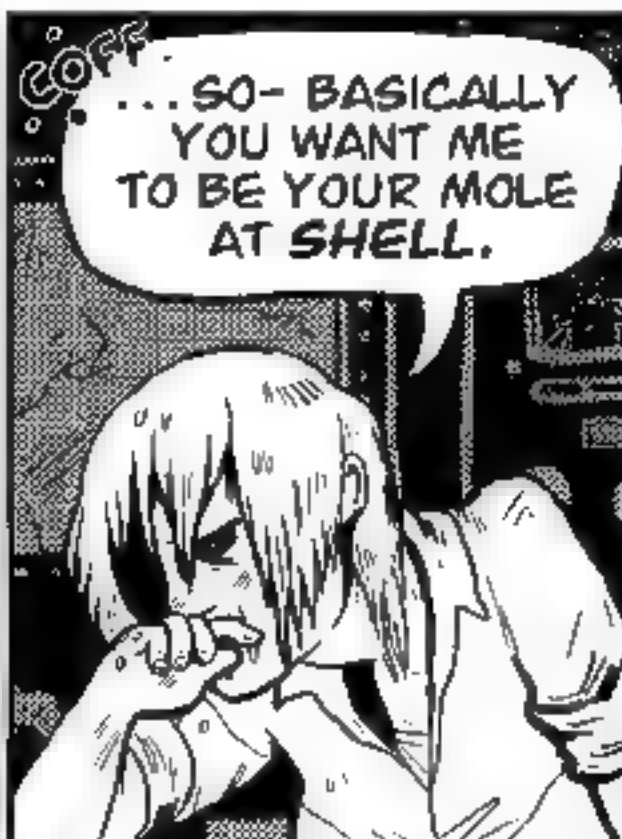


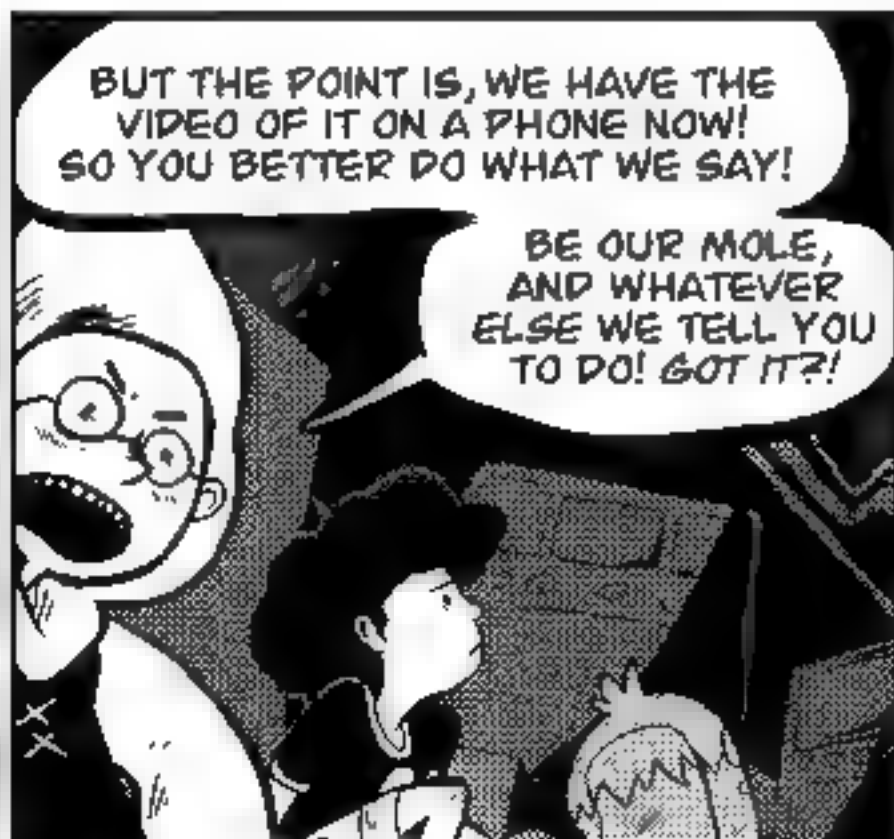








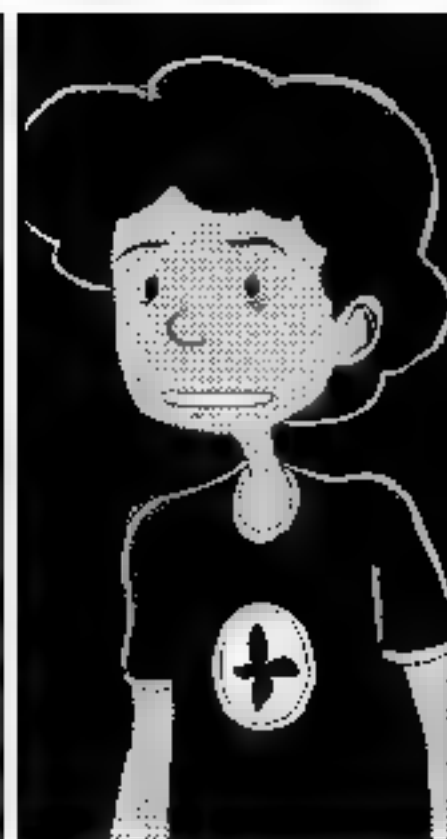
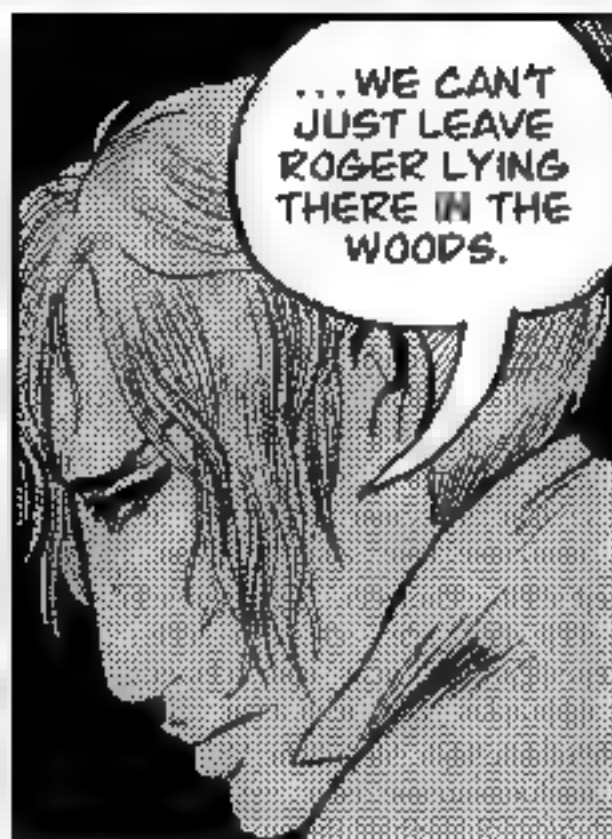
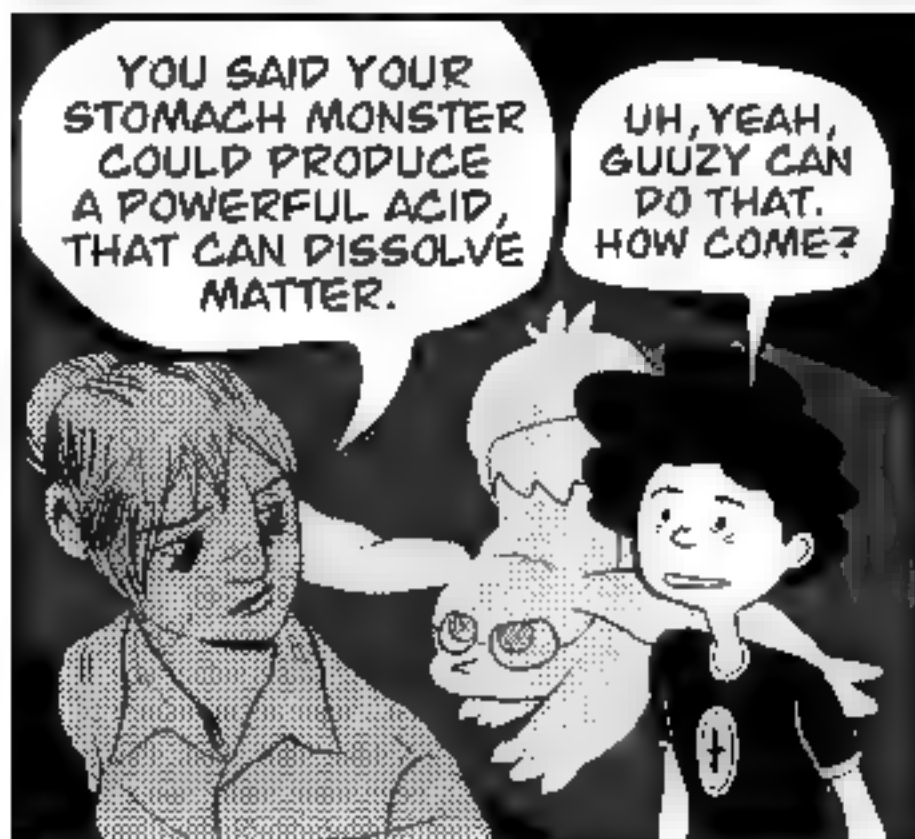














...OKAY, FINE!
BUT ONLY CUZ YOU
LOOK SO SERIOUS.

IT'S WEIRD.



THANK YOU
MARNI! THANK
YOU THANK YOU!

DON'T
TELL
MOM.



ARE YOU SURE
YOU DON'T WANT ME
TO DRIVE YOU, LIKE,
HOME, OR WHATEVER?

THE BUS
STOP WILL
BE FINE.



OKAY ...



AND YOU!
IF I LEAVE,
HOW ARE
YOU GONNA
GET HOME?

UM, DUH!



KERA CAN
STRETCH AND
GO REALLY FAST,
REMEMBER?!



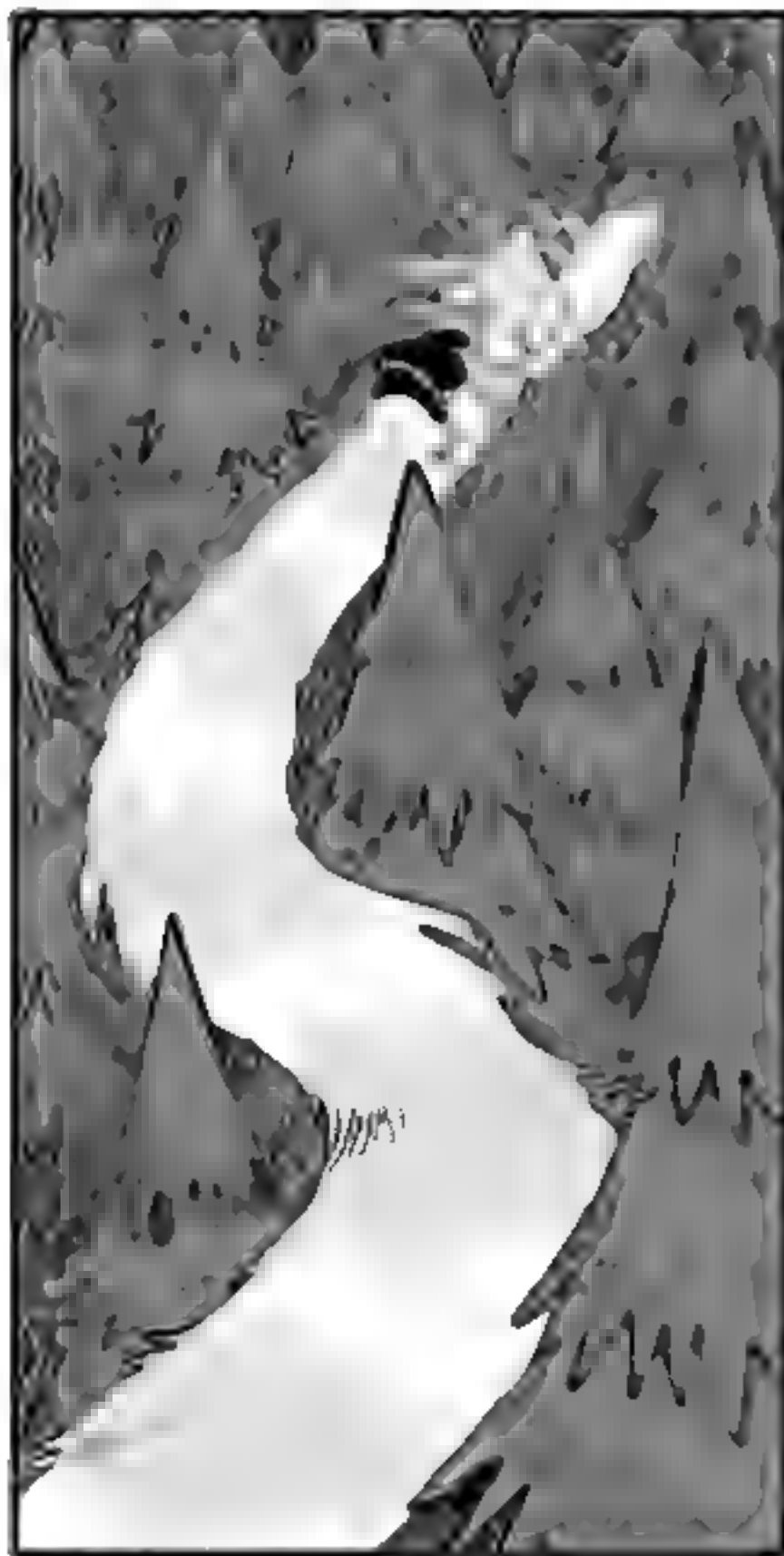
WHAAA!! COULD YOU HAVE
DONE THAT ANY TIME?!

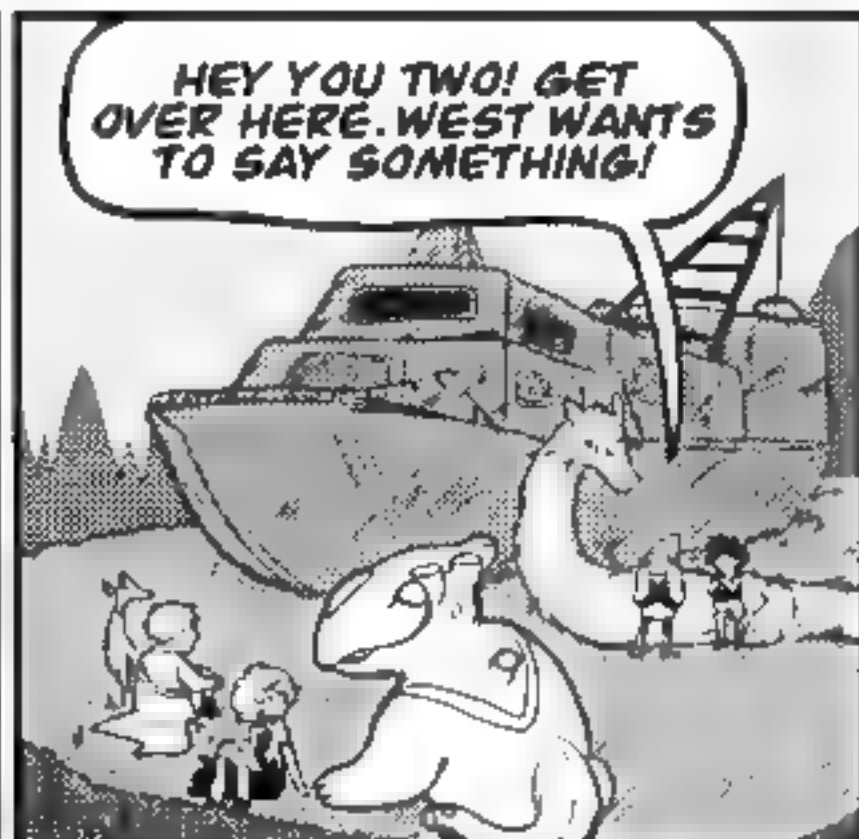
HA HA. I DUNNO!
DIDN'T THINK OF
IT TIL NOW.

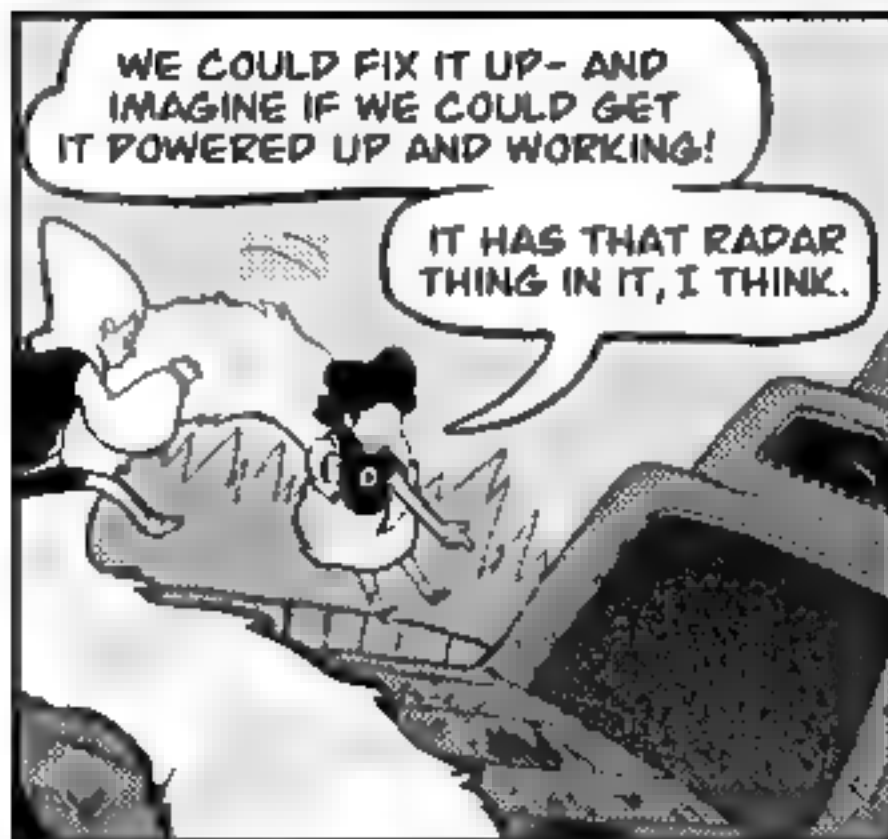


I SWEAR TO
GOD, KID, YOU
STRESS ME OUT
SO MUCH I'M
GONNA GET
AN ULCER.









IT'S GOT THAT ROBOT
ARM THING TOO, AND
THE SHIELD ...

HOLD ON. I THINK
YOU'RE GETTING A
LITTLE EXCITED.
'HELP PEOPLE'?



UH, MAYBE THIS IS
DUMB BUT, I JUST
THOUGHT... SINCE OUR
MONSTERS CAN FIGHT
THOSE GHOST THINGS?



BECAUSE- BECAUSE NO ONE
ELSE CAN DO IT, AND NO ONE
ELSE CARES. IT'S ONLY US!

SHELL SURE
DOESN'T CARE-
THEY DON'T EVEN
SEEM TO KNOW
WHAT THEY'RE
DOING, LIKE, AT ALL!



WE COULD USE THE
RADAR TO FIND GHOSTS
AND FIGHT THEM OFF,
UH, BEFORE THEY
CAN GET OTHER KIDS!
SINCE THEY GO FOR
KIDS AND ALL ...



WE COULD SAVE
PEOPLE! SO THEY
DON'T HAVE TO GO
THROUGH WHAT
WE DID!









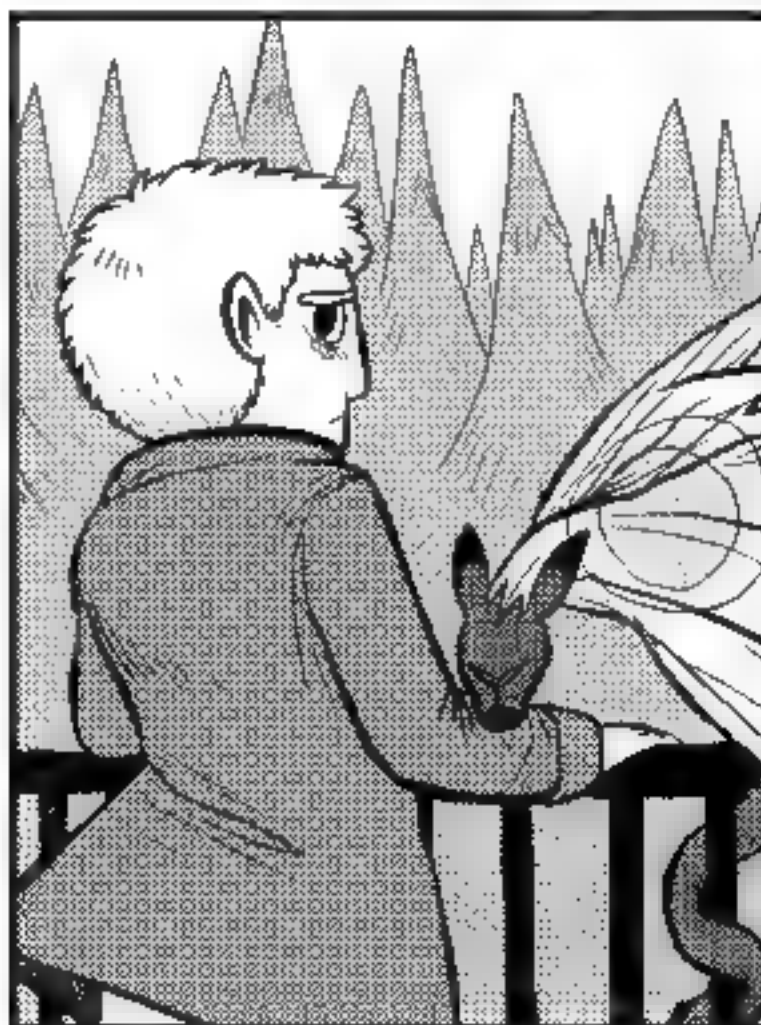
WELL ... MAYBE
THEY DO UNDERSTAND.

MAYBE TREATING
IT LIKE A GAME IS
HOW THEY DEAL
WITH THAT STUFF.

OR SOMETHING.



I DUNNO! WE CAN'T
ALL BE MR. SUPER-
SERIOUS STRONG SILENT
TYPE LIKE YOU.



I KNOW YOU DON'T
TAKE ME VERY
SERIOUSLY ...

OH! NO, ABEL,
I DIDN'T MEAN-

BUT I'M NOT
JUST PLAYING
WHEN I SAY
THAT STUFF,
YOU KNOW?



IT ISN'T AN ACT TO SEEM
COOL, OR SOMETHING.

WHEN I SAY IT'S BETTER
IF NOBODY KNOWS ME-

IT'S BECAUSE
I MEAN IT.



BUT,
WELL



WHEN WE WE, UH,
MET THIS MORNING?

IT WAS ACTUALLY REALLY
FUN TO JUST TALK TO YOU.
AND NOT ONLY ABOUT THE
MONSTER STUFF, EITHER.

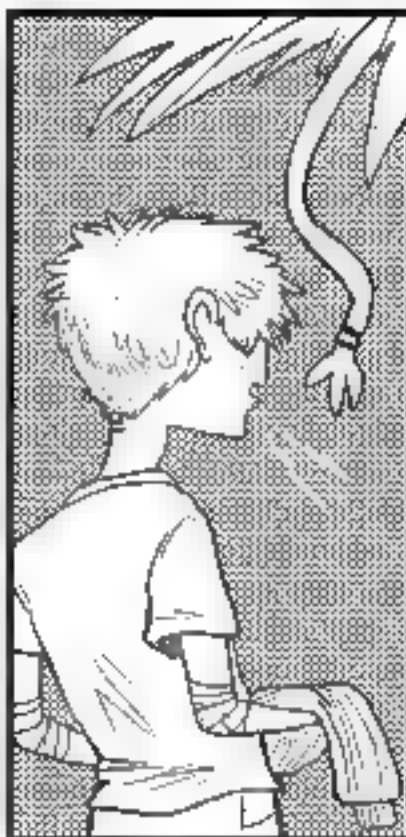
IT WAS JUST...
NICE TO HANG
OUT WITH YOU?
I HAD FUN.

BEFORE SHELL
SHOWED UP,
I MEAN.

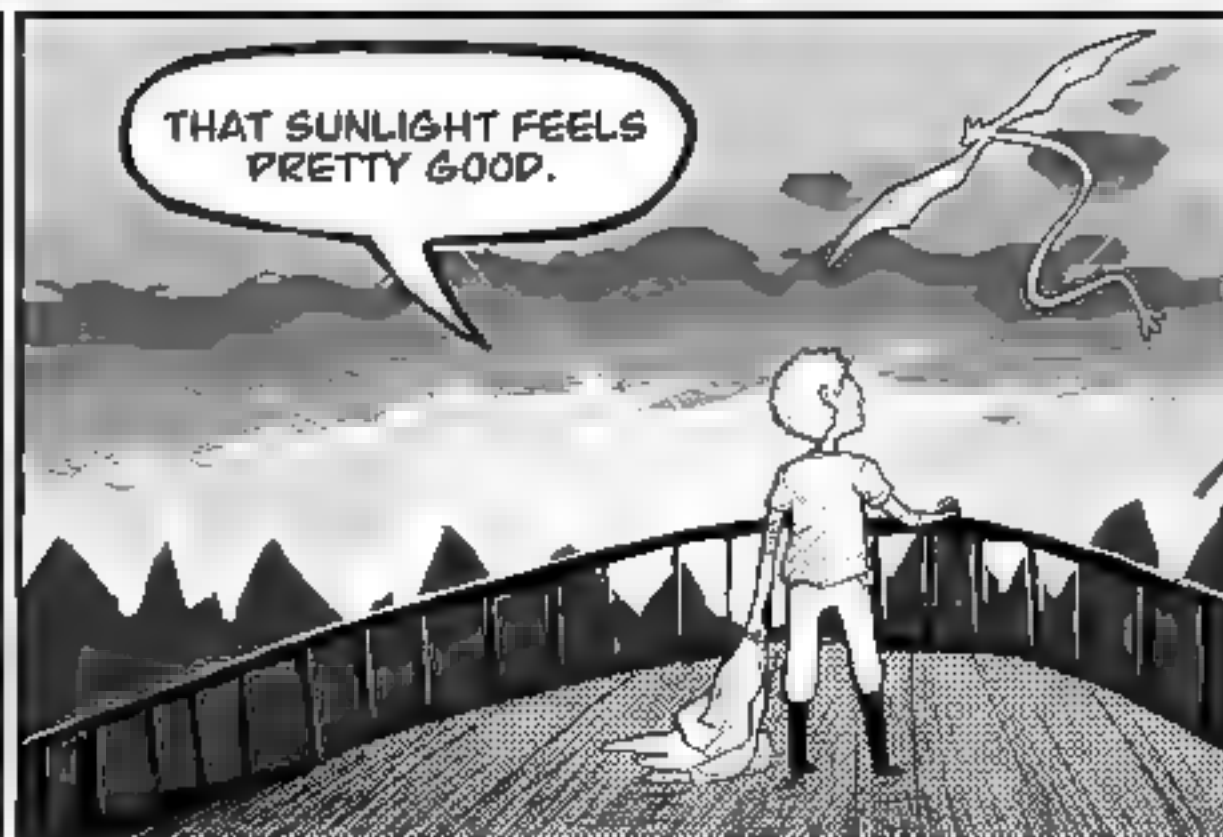


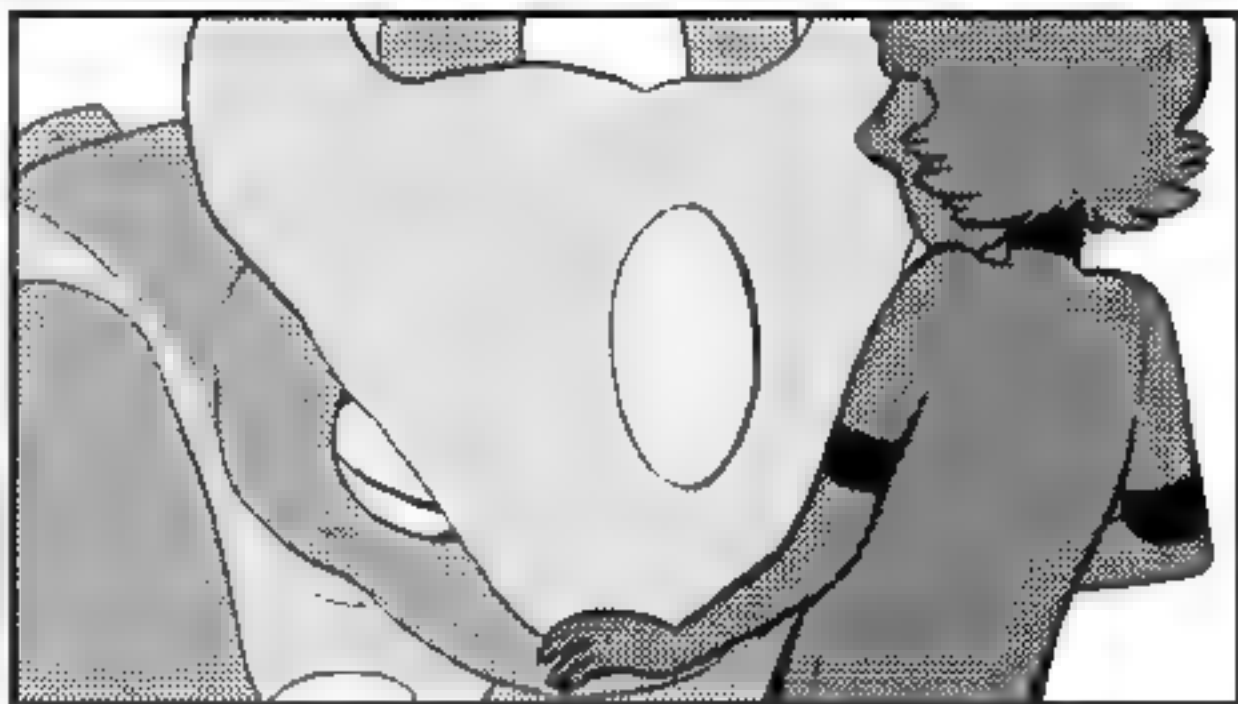
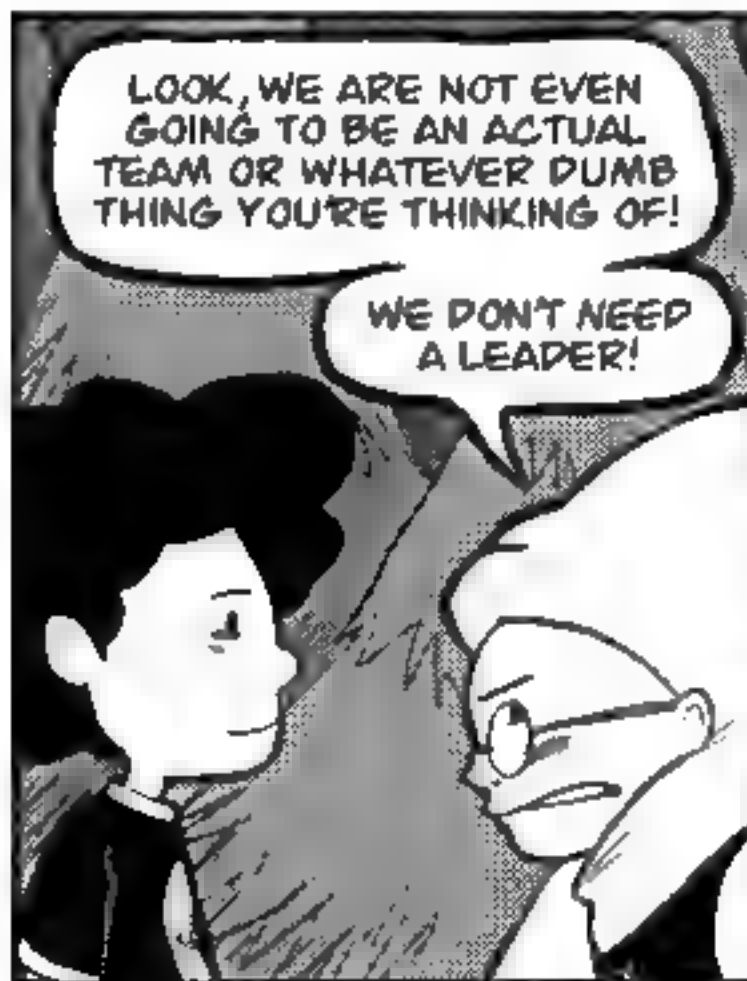
SO... I'M
GLAD I KNOW
YOU, ABEL.

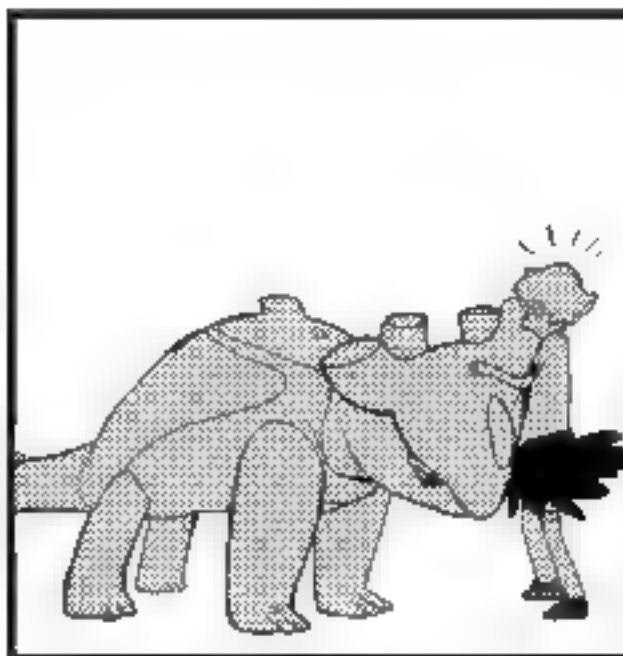
AND ALSO
BECAUSE YOU
SAVED US
AND STUFF.



THAT SUNLIGHT FEELS
PRETTY GOOD.









AHEM.



MISS LULENSKI,
I CAME TO SEE IF YOU
ARE FEELING BETTER-

I MUST SAY,
EVEN IN THAT
HOSPITAL DOWN
YOU LOOK-

NO, NO,
NO



SIGH.



MISS
LULENSKI-



HELLO, RJINDER.

IT'S DR. LULENSKI

MY APOLOGIES ...

I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE
ASLEEP. I CAME BY TO SEE
HOW YOU WERE FEELING.

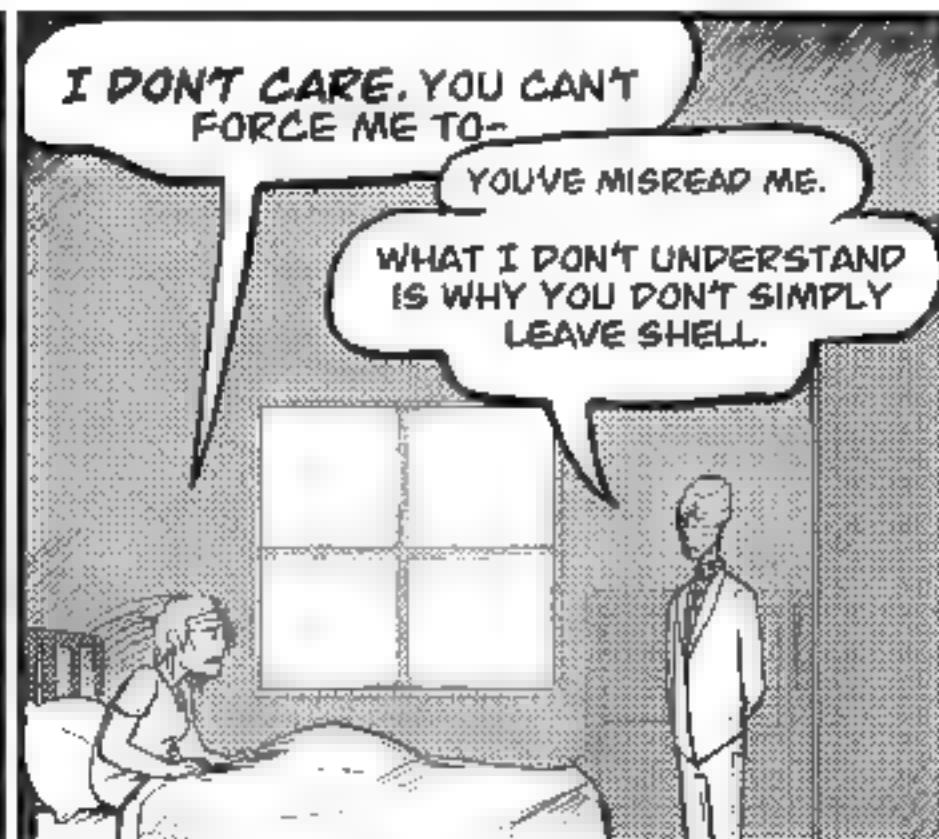
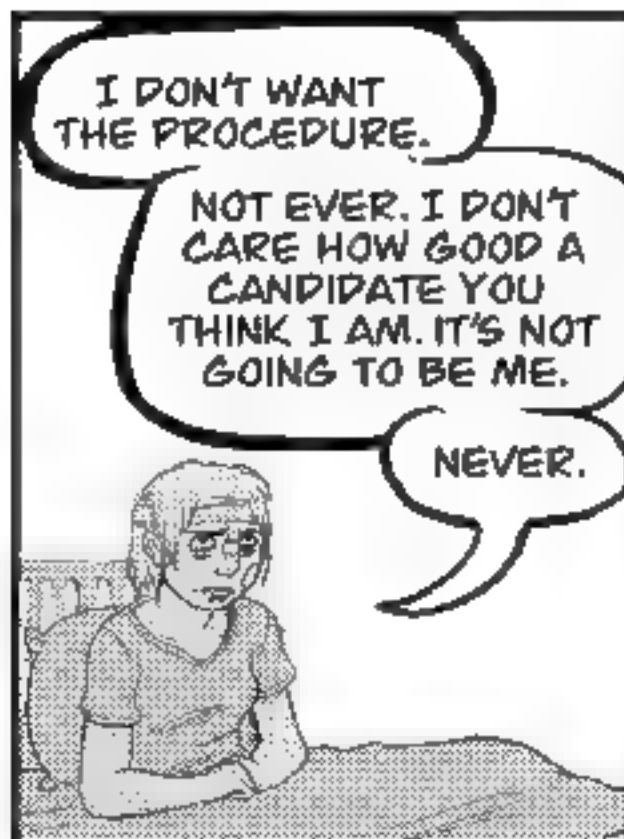
AND TO GIVE YOU
THESE.

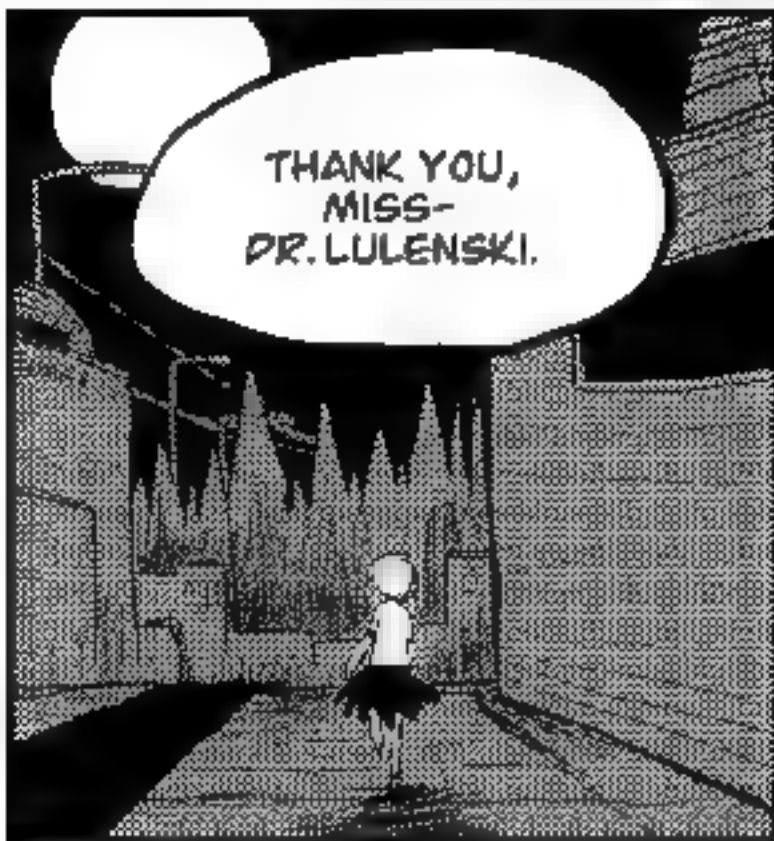


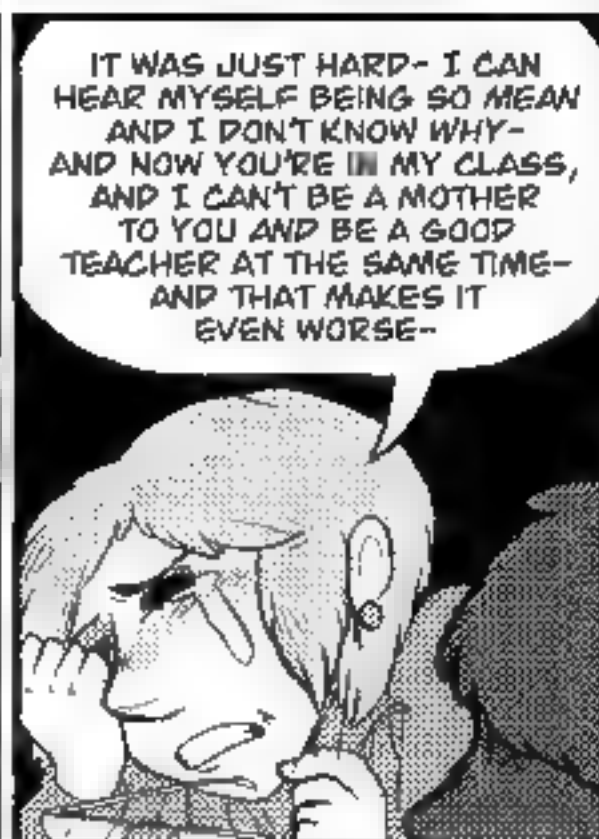
I DIDN'T MEAN TO
DISTURB YOU- I FORGET
SOMETIMES THAT MY
APPEARANCE IS-

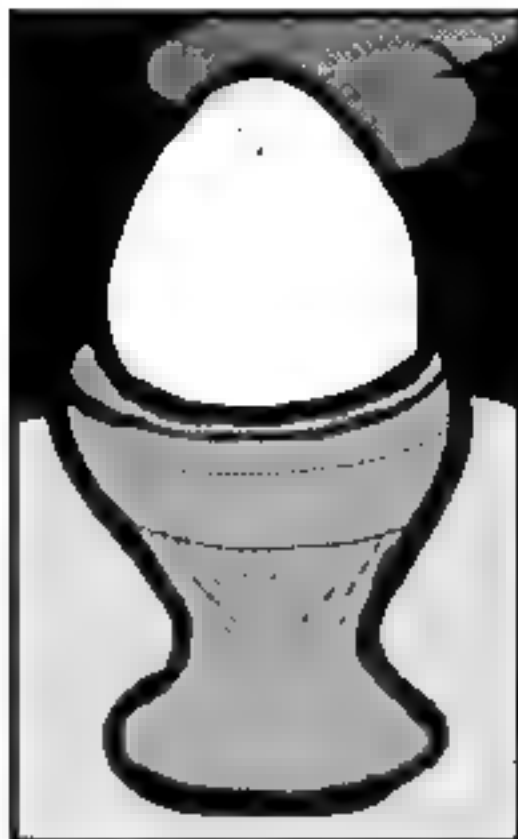
IT ISN'T YOU, I WAS
HAVING A SAD DREAM.

I'M SURPRISED YOU
AREN'T STILL IN THE LAB.









WELL ... OF COURSE
I BELIEVE YOU.

I SAW IT
MYSELF.



I'LL TALK TO YOUR FATHER
WHEN HE WAKES UP, AND
TOGETHER WE'LL FIGURE
OUT WHO TO CALL, AND
WHAT TO SAY ...



MOM! NO! PLEASE!

I DIDN'T WANT
EITHER OF YOU TO
WORRY ABOUT IT-
IT'S TOO LATE FOR
YOU, BUT PLEASE-
DON'T TELL DAD YET.
I'LL DO IT, OKAY?



AND PLEASE PLEASE
DON'T CALL THE POLICE
OR ANYTHING!

PLEASE, IT'S
IMPORTANT!
I'M REALLY
SCARED OF
WHAT MIGHT
HAPPEN!



CAN YOU
PROMISE?
IT MIGHT BE
LIFE OR
DEATH,
FOR ME.



BINA ... I SHOULD LISTEN TO
YOU, AND TAKE YOU SERIOUSLY

BUT THEN, IT'D BE IRRESPONSIBLE-
WRONG- TO JUST DO NOTHING

I ... I FEEL
LIKE THERE ISN'T
A PLACE IN MY BRAIN
FOR THIS ... I DON'T
KNOW WHAT'S RIGHT.

I'LL TAKE YOU TO
SEE HER TOMORROW,
OKAY? YOU'LL SEE
SHE'S NOT DANGEROUS

AND I THINK
YOU'LL UNDERSTAND
WHY WE HAVE TO
KEEP HER SECRET.



BUT IF YOU'RE ASKING
ME TO HELP YOU FIGURE
OUT WHAT TO DO IN THIS
SITUATION ...

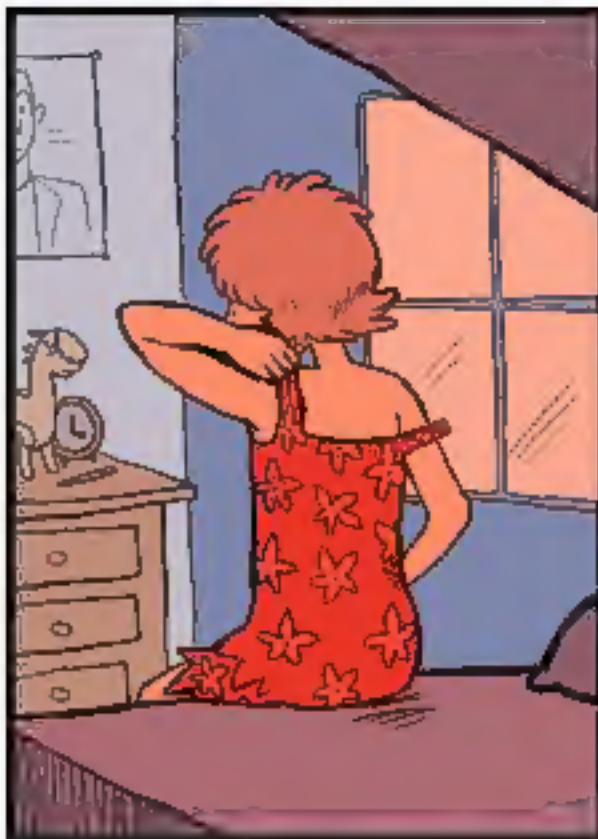
I'LL JUST TELL YOU.



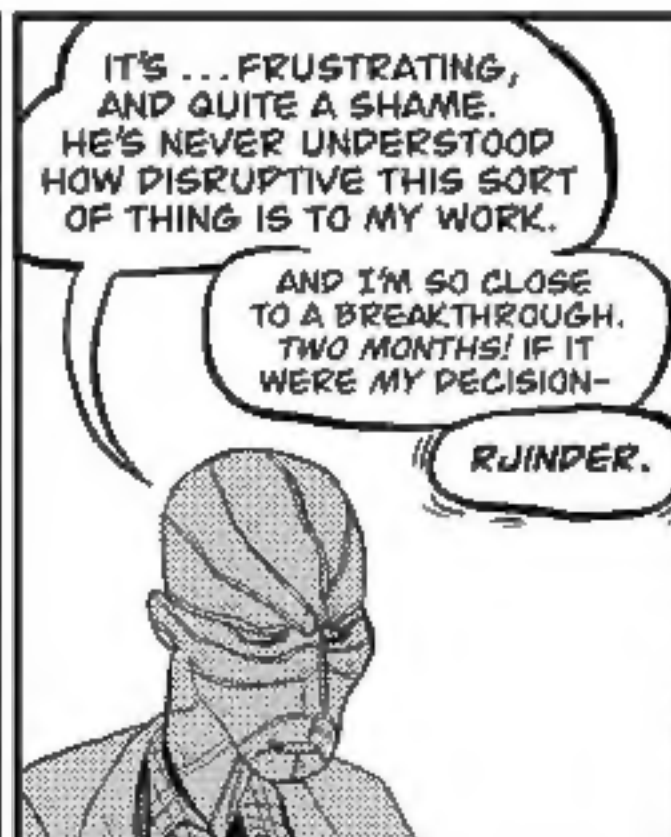
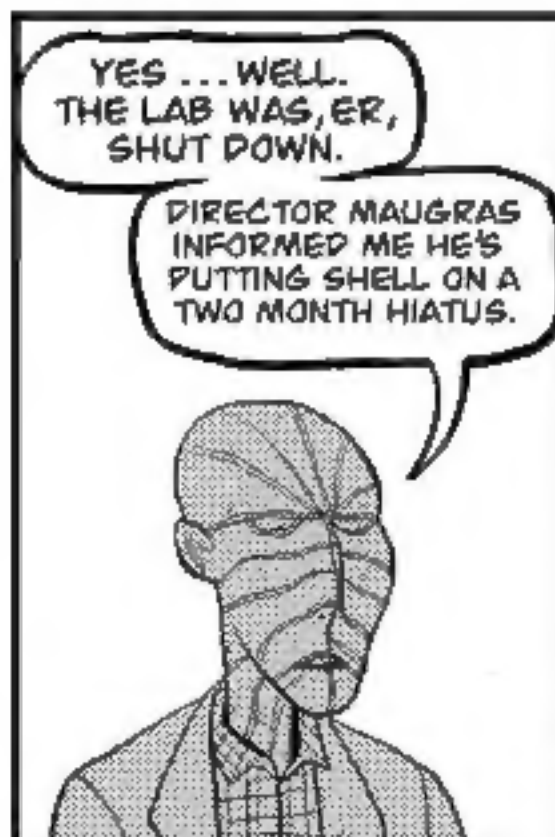
PLEASE TRUST ME.

I CAN
HANDLE IT.





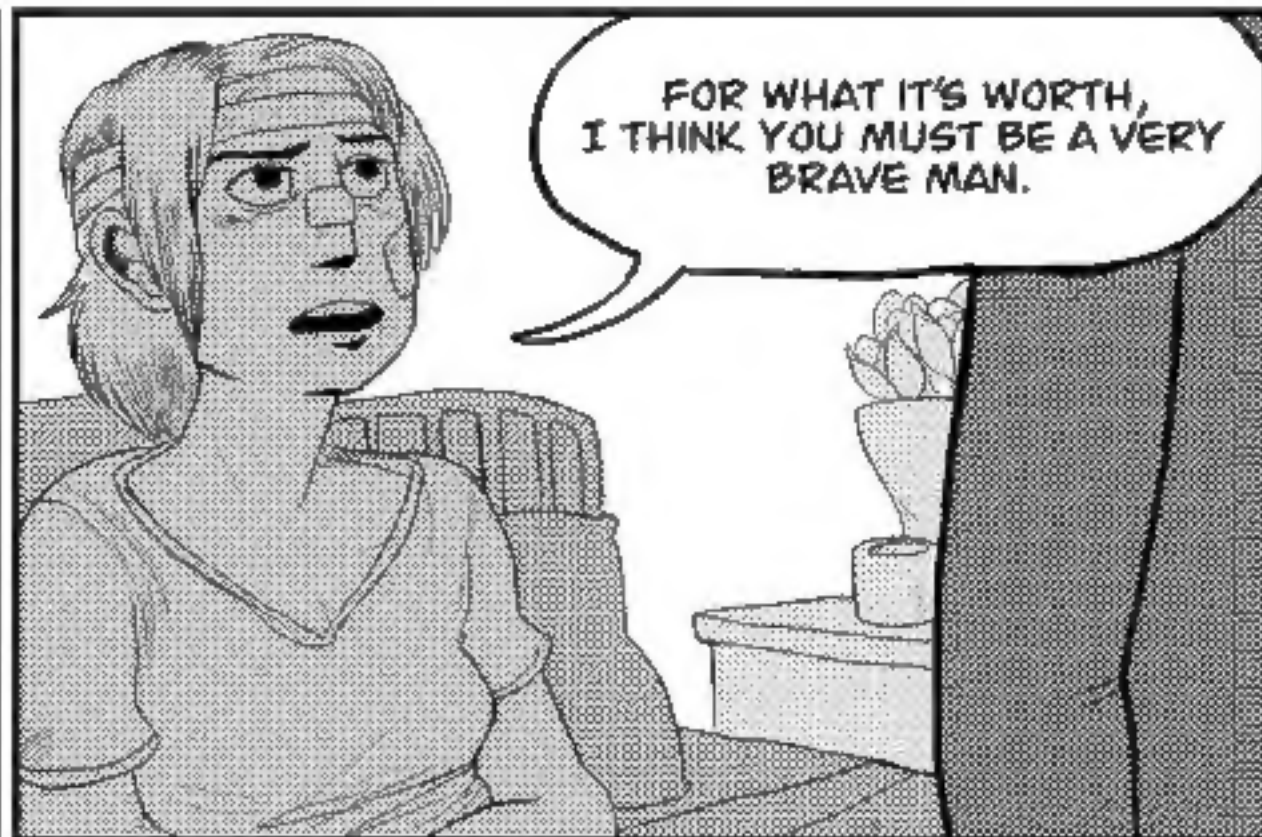




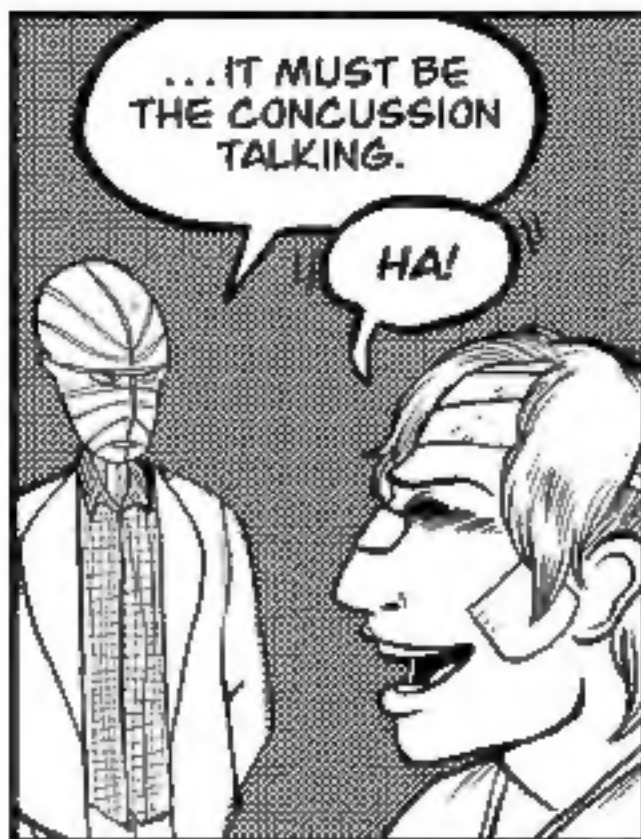


RJINDER, I KNOW I'VE BEEN
SOMEWHAT COLD TO YOU.

OH, I-



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH,
I THINK YOU MUST BE A VERY
BRAVE MAN.



...IT MUST BE
THE CONCUSSION
TALKING.

HA!



OH-

YOU WEREN'T
JOKING.



MAY I HAVE
SOME OF YOUR TEA?

UH ... SURE, BUT
IT'S BEEN SITTING
THERE A WHILE.



THAT WILL DO.

IT'S NOT FOR
MYSELF.